MIDDLE PENINSULA-NORTHERN NECK LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2005

Vice-Chairman, Barbara Vest, called the regular meeting of the Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Local Human Rights Committee to order at 1:10 PM on October 24, 2005, at Bridges Inpatient Unit, training building, located in Kilmarnock, Virginia. Board members in attendance were Barbara Vest, Judith Link, Bill Reisner and Frank Jewell. Agency representatives included Chuck Walsh- MP-NN CSB, Patrizia and Warren Nesbitt–Sola, Inc., Betty Self–Bridges of RGH/Bridges Inpatient Unit, Mary Hayden and Faith Headley - Heart Havens, Bobbi Crockett–The Brambles, Jeanie Murphy-Caring Family Home and Jim Allison–Arc of Peninsula – Puller Center. Virginia Goodell, Human Rights Advocate was also in attendance.

The minutes from July 25, 2005 were approved as submitted.

Betty Self welcomed the committee to Bridges Inpatient Unit and invited everyone to refreshments provided. She gave an informative program about the services provided at Bridges Inpatient Unit.

Program reports were presented by Bridges of RGH, Bridges of RGH Inpatient Unit, Heart Havens, Arc of Peninsula-Puller Center, MP-NN CSB, Sola, Inc., The Brambles and Caring Family Home.

Caring Family Home requested permanent affiliation with this LHRC. Bill Reisner moved to grant permanent affiliation and Judith Link seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The Brambles was granted temporary affiliation for the two new group homes to open prior to the meeting January 23, 2006. The two new homes are on the same property and will operate using the same policy and procedures as the original group home.

Under New Business – the new members Bill Reisner and Judith Link were welcomed to the committee. The election of officers is as follows:

Chairman – Frank Jewell Vice Chairman – Barbara Vest Secretary – Judith Link

Virginia Goodell presented training to the providers on "Dispute Resolution Process and Role of the Advocate. The committee thanked her for the information and feels the training for providers is very informative.

The Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Community Services Board having complaints of abuse and Heart Havens having a Protective Plan requested to go into closed session. Barbara Vest moved that the LHRC go into executive session per VA Code Section 2.2-3711A(4) for the protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business namely to hear patient related information involving a complaint allegation. Seconded by Frank Jewell

Upon returning to public session Frank Jewell, Chairman, asked each member of the committee to certify, "that only patient related information was heard and discussed in Executive Session." Responding, "I certify", were Barbara Vest, Judith Link and Bill Reisner.

There being no further business to discuss, committee voted to adjourn until the next meeting scheduled for January 23, 2006 at The Bramble, North, VA.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Platt, Administrative Support to the Committee

Minutes approved <u>01/23/2006</u>